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SUBJECT: DOD EXCESS LANDING CRAFT (LCM-8)

DOTA NO. 387-TT

FOR XO JUAN SABLON.

A. CDR USAGO MAKIMANATO, JAPAN/TTPI;LNO/ 020L07Z AUG 76.

1. INSPECTION REPORT ON TWO LCM-8S BY DEPT OF ARMY,
SAN FRANCISCO DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS QUOTED
BELOW:

"MESSRS. ANGELONI, RANDLOPH AND JONES OF THIS OFFICE
INSPECTED L.C.M. 8050 AND L.C.M. 8104 WHICH ARE WET STOR-
ED AT ROUGH AND READY ISLAND, AS REQUESTED BY YOUR OFFICE
ON 6 JULY 1976.

THESE VESSELS WERE BUILT IN 1954 AND ARE BOTH IN GOOD
CONDITION. THEIR PRESERVATIVE TREATMENT PREVENTED OPERA-
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TION OF THE ENGINES AND OTHER EQUIPMENT; HOWEVER, ALL

MAJOR ITEMS WERE IN GOOD WORKING ORDER AT THE TIME OF STORAGE AND SHOW NO SIGNS OF DETERIORATION. THE FOLLOWING WORK WOULD BE NECESSARY PRIOR TO PLACING THE BOATS IN SERVICE:

A. DRYDOCK, INSPECT ALL UNDERWATER SURFACES AND INSTALL ZINC ANODES FOR ELECTROLYTIC PROTECTION.

B. REMOVE ALL PRESERVATIVES, SEALS AND DEHUMIDIFICATION EQUIPMENT.

C. ACTIVATE AND REASSEMBLE ALL MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT, I.E., REINSTALL FUEL TANK INSPECTION PLATES, ASSEMBLE COOLING WATER PIPING, ASSEMBLE EXHAUST SYSTEM, INSTALL ENGINE VALVE COVERS AND INSPECTION PLATES, ETC.

D. COMPLETELY CLEAN, REPAIR AND ADJUST AIR SYSTEM WHICH RAISES AND LOWERS THE FRONT RAMP. THIS SYSTEM WAS INOPERABLE ON BOTH VESSELS AT THE TIME OF STORAGE.

E. THE FRONT RAMP HOIST CABLES SHOULD BE INSPECTED AS THE EXISTING CABLES SHOW SOME CORROSION AT THE END FITTINGS.

F. ALL NEW BATTERIES ARE REQUIRED.

G. BOTH VESSELS SHOULD HAVE THE EXTERIOR COMPLETELY SAND BLASTED AND PAINTED. SOME MINOR INTERIOR PAINTING WOULD BE DESIRABLE.

A COMPLETE ISSUE OF LIFE SAVING AND FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT WILL BE REQUIRED FOR BOTH VESSELS, I.E., LIFE RAFT, PERSONAL FLOATATION DEVICES, RING BUOYS, WATER LIGHTS, PYROTECHNICS, FIRE EXTINGUISHERS, ETC.

THE VESSELS' 24 VOLT ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS APPEAR TO BE IN GOOD CONDITION. HOWEVER, NO RADIO, FATHOMETER, RADAR OR OTHER ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT WILL BE ISSUED WITH THEM.

THESE VESSELS WOULD MAKE FINE WORK BOATS. THE COST OF UNCLASSIFIED

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ACTIVATING THEM IS MINOR RELATIVE TO THE VALUE OF THE END PRODUCT. IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT

MR. ANGELONI OF THIS OFFICE ON 556-2404.

SINCERELY YOURS,
H.A. FLERTZHEIM, JR., COLONEL, CE
DISTRICT ENGINEER."

END QUOTE.

2. IF YOU DESIRE TO ACQUIRE THESE TWO LCM-8S AS IS,
WHERE IS, NOTIFY DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF TERRITORIAL
AFFAIRS (DOTA) WHO WILL ARRANGE FOR TRANSFER FROM ARMY.
AFTER TRANSFER, REQUEST YOU COORDINATE ACTIVATION
WORK AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTING TO TTPI WITH

MR. HARDY PEARCE, U.S. DEPT. OF INTERIOR, OFFICE OF THE
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